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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

SHAH ET AL.

Examiner

Neveen Abel-Jalil

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 May 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.


SAM RIMELL
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 1/11/05.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.



DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 16-May -2005 has been entered.
2. The amendment filed on 16-May -2005 has been received and entered. Claims 1-10 are pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the

reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

4. Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Tse et al. (U.S. Pub. No. 2002/0078018 A1).

As to claims 1, and 6, Tse et al. discloses a computer readable medium for storing a plurality of instructions for calculating a measure, said plurality of instructions comprising:

receiving a request to calculate a measure, said measure associated with one or more requested dimension levels (See Tse et al. page 1, paragraphs 0011-0012, prior art, also see Tse et al. page 4, paragraph 0058);

determining at least one allocated dimension level for the measure, the allocated dimension level being undefined at a lowest dimension level (See Tse et al. page 4, paragraphs 0056-0060);

selecting a first star from a first stargroup associated with the measure, wherein the first star supports the at least one allocated dimension level for the measure (See Tse et al. page 11, paragraphs 0129-0130);

selecting a second star from a second stargroup associated with a control measure, wherein the second star supports the one or more requested dimension levels (See Tse et al. page 5, paragraph 0071, wherein “second star” reads on “different star schema”).

As to claims 2, and 7, Tse et al. discloses computer readable medium wherein the plurality of instructions comprising determining at least one allocated dimension level further comprises:

comparing the requested dimension levels to a lowest level star in the first stargroup (See Tse et al. page 4, paragraphs 0058-0060, also see Tse et al. page 4, paragraphs 0063-0066); and
selecting for each requested dimension level, a minimum of the requested dimension level and a corresponding one of one or more dimension levels associated with the star (See Tse et al. page 5, paragraphs 0076-0079).

As to claims 3, and 8, Tse et al. discloses the computer readable medium wherein the plurality of instructions further comprising:

calculating the measure for the allocated dimension levels (See Tse et al. page 8, paragraph 0008, prior art, also see Tse et al. page 4, paragraphs 0060-0062); and

calculating the control measure for the requested dimension levels (See Tse et al. page 6, paragraphs 0080-0091).

As to claims 4, and 9, Tse et al. discloses determining the allocated dimension levels further comprises:

determining the allocated dimension levels wherein no star exists which supports the measure at the requested dimension levels (See Tse et al. page 3, paragraphs 0035-0043).

As to claims 5, and 10, Tse et al. discloses wherein the control measure is a predetermined measure associated with the measure (See Tse et al. page 3, paragraph 0040, also see Tse et al. page 5, paragraph 0078).

Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-10 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Rogers (U.S. Patent No. 6,212,515 B1) teaches lowest estimated level in a plurality of dimensions.

Jakobsson et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,848,408) teaches dimension table constraints.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Neveen Abel-Jalil whose telephone number is 571-272-4074. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5: 30PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dov Popovici can be reached on 571-272-4038. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Neveen Abel-Jalil
May 30, 2005